

MARIE CATHERINE DALSTROM SEDARVILLE

Marie Catherine Sedarville was born in Gutland, Sweden, on December 11, 1818, daughter of Gertrude Christeen and Lewis Dalstrom.

She married Elisha Petter Sedarville and they were parents of four children: Peter, Gertrude Christeen, Annie Catherine and Marie.

When Peter was 12 Latter-day Saint missionaries spent some time at the Sedarville home and she and her three daughters became converted to the Church.

Her husband and son did not become interested, so she and her daughters were baptized by Mormon Elders on May 11, 1863.

Two years later, in the early spring of 1865, they prepared to leave with other immigrants for Utah.

Her daughters were, respectively, 12, 9 and 7 years of age when they left Copenhagen, Denmark. On May 4, 1865, they left on the ship "B. S. Kimble," with Andrew W. Winberg as captain.

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After leaving Denmark, on their way to New York typhoid fever broke out among those on board and many adults and children were stricken. Little Marie died and was buried at sea.

The ship arrived at New York on June 14, 1865. They left New York by ox team, reaching Utah July 20, 1865.

They left Wyoming on July 31, 1865, with Minor Atwood as captain of their party. This was an extremely hard part to the journey. They endured many hardships along the way and had many encounters with Indians.

Sometimes there was food and at those times when it was scarce it was rationed among the members of the party.

They arrived in Salt Lake the latter part of October and left immediately for Heber, with part of the original company of pioneers from Sweden and New York.

They owned a little home in the northeast part of Heber and there she and her two daughters, Gertrude Christeen and Annie Catherine, spun wool, corded and wove cloth to make clothes for themselves and others.

Grandma Skog, an honest, upright and faithful person, was admired and respected by all who knew her.

She always was strong and healthy, and the more difficult the task she was asked to do, the better she enjoyed doing it. Nothing seemed to worry her. In later years she was always in a hurry, visiting back and forth among friends. She was always faithful to her children, her friends and her religion.

Her older daughter, Gertrude Christeen, married Homer Fraughton, and Annie Cathrin married Elisha Averett.

She had 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren when she died.

She died when she was 94 years of age, at Heber, on May 14, 1912.

May she always be remembered among her Heber City friends as one of Heber's first pioneers.

